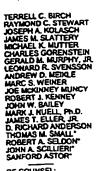
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## MS PATENT APPLICATION

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Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application applied for on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c).

Inventor(s):

ENOMURA, Shinichi

For:

PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR FLUID, AND

DEAERATOR THEREWITH

## Enclosed are:

A specification consisting of Sixty-Five (65) pages 冈

Eighteen (18) sheet(s) of formal drawings  $\boxtimes$ 

Applicant does not claim priority П

Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 X based on Application No(s). 2002-207533, 2002-321018, and 2002, 16. JAPAN July filed in 2002-340374 November 5, 2002, and November 25, 2002.

Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.

- Amend the specification by inserting before the first line thereof the following:
  - a. 
    One -- This nonprovisional application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a) on Patent Application No(s). 2002-207533, 2002-321018, and 2002-340374 filed in JAPAN on July 16, 2002, November 5, 2002, and November 25, 2002, which is(are) herein incorporated by reference.--
  - b. --This nonprovisional application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) on U.S. Provisional Application No(s). filed on , which is(are) herein incorporated by reference.--

Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow

Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27

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Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee

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